

Listing of Claims

Claims 1-76 (canceled)

77. (currently amended) In a collapsible fish-landing net apparatus of the type including a telescoping handle, a foldable frame, and a net on the frame, the improvement comprising:

- the handle being formed by a plurality of telescoping sections one of which has a distal end facing the net;
- the frame being secured to one of the telescoping sections; and
- an LED illuminator for illuminating the net, all of the illuminator being disposed in the distal end of the handle and remote from the opposite end of the handle for illuminating the net, the illuminator including:
 - a light body secured to the distal end of the handle, the light body having a lens-engaging end and an inner recess;
 - at least one light-emitting diode (LED) secured ~~with respect to~~ within the inner recess the light body;
 - ~~a lens attached to the light body, and~~
 - at least one battery secured within the inner recess the light body for electric power to the LED; and
 - a lens secured with respect to the lens-engaging end of the light body.

78. (currently amended) The fish-landing net apparatus of claim 77 wherein the lens is ~~attached~~ secured with respect to the lens-engaging end of the light body by a rotary switch lens cap having a first end engaging a lens and an opposite second end rotatably attached to the lens-engaging end of the light body for on/off switching of electric power to the LED and having a light passage portion therethrough.

79. (previously presented) The fish-landing net apparatus of claim 78 wherein the LED illuminator is adapted for changing the light brightness level by rotating the rotary switch, the illuminator further including:

- a plurality of switch positions corresponding to a plurality of brightness levels accessed by rotating the rotary switch lens; and
- an illumination level control adapting the LED to the plurality of brightness levels corresponding to the plurality of switch positions.

80. (previously presented) The fish-landing net apparatus of claim 77 wherein the frame has at least one surface facing the LED and having a reflective portion.

81. (previously presented) The fish-landing net apparatus of claim 80 wherein the reflective portion is one of reflective tape and reflective coating.

82. (previously presented) The fish-landing net apparatus of claim 81 wherein the reflective portion contains fluorescent pigment.

83. (previously presented) The fish-landing net apparatus of claim 82 wherein the surface of the frame further includes an optical filter for filtering light emitted by an excitation of the fluorescent pigment.

84. (previously presented) The fish-landing net apparatus of claim 80 wherein the light body is further adapted for focusing a light beam emitted from the illuminator on the reflective portion.

85. (cancelled)

86. (currently amended) In a fish-landing net apparatus of the type including a net on a frame secured to a handle with a light thereon, ~~a frame, and a net on the frame~~, the improvement comprising:

- the light being an LED illuminator for illuminating the net, ~~all of the illuminator being disposed in the distal end of the handle and remote from the opposite end of the handle for illuminating the net~~, the illuminator including:
 - a light body disposed in ~~the~~ a frame-adjacent end of the handle and, the light body having a lens cap-engaging end; and
 - a rotary switch lens cap having a first end engaging a lens and an opposite second end rotatably attached to the lens cap-engaging end of the light body for on/off switching of electric power to the LED.

87. (currently amended) The fish-landing net apparatus of claim 86 wherein:

- the handle at its distal end is a hollow tube terminating in an annular edge; and
- the light body includes (a) a first lengthwise portion configured for tight fitting inside engagement in the distal end to hold the light body in place and (b) a second lengthwise portion adjacent to and wider than the first lengthwise portion such that it engages externally abuts the annular edge.

88. (currently amended) The fish-landing net apparatus of claim 87 wherein ~~the rotary switch lens cap is adjacent to the second lengthwise portion of the light body~~ is a the lens cap-engaging end and includes the annular groove rotatably engaging the annular ridge of the lens cap ~~is rotatable with respect thereto~~.

89-90 (cancelled)

91. (new) In a fish-landing net apparatus of the type including a handle, a frame connected thereto and a net on the frame, the improvement comprising:

- the handle having a distal end facing the net; and
- an LED illuminator for illuminating the net, all of the illuminator being disposed in the distal end of the handle and remote from the opposite end of the handle, the illuminator including:
 - a light body secured to the distal end of the handle, the light body having a lens-engaging end and an inner recess;
 - at least one light-emitting diode (LED) secured within the inner recess;
 - at least one battery secured within the inner recess for electric power to the LED;and
- a lens secured with respect to the lens-engaging end of the light body.